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Dear George:

Many thanks for your letter of 1 February with enclosures, inviting my attention to Mr. Joseph Buttinger of the International Rescue Committee. You are the second person who has written to me complimenting him.

I received a letter from Mr. Buttinger under date of 21 January with which he enclosed an article he had written concerning his observations while in South Vietnam. He also expressed in his cover letter certain viewpoints developed as a result of his observations there.

I expressed our acknowledgment and appreciation to Mr. Buttinger for his first letter and have now received a second letter from him in which he remarks upon the recent change in the attitude of the press on the question of Vietnam. I have acknowledged Mr. Buttinger's second letter and am making arrangements for some of our people to talk to him.

Sincerely,

Allen E. Dulles
Director

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